Canada Helps U.S. Break Massive Counterfeit Ring

CHICAGO (UPI) — Secret Service agents have announced the breakup of a massive counterfeiting ring which printed and passed more than $1,000,000 in phoney $100 bills in the United States and Canada.

Paul Paterni, Chicago Secret Service head, said yesterday the counterfeit ring covered 22 states and is one of the largest ever to have operated on the North American continent.

Twenty-five men and women, including two Chicagoans believed to be the master-minds, have been arrested. But the all-important counterfeit presses and plates are still at large. More of the bogus bills could be put in circulation, Paterni said.

The agents waited for the arrest of the alleged ring leaders, Afonso Amabile, 40, and William Rabiolo, 39, before disclosing the roundup. It had been kept a secret because Secret Service men were risking their lives while buying $726,200 worth of counterfeit currency.

Paterni and U.S. Attorney Robert Tieken said more than $1,000,000 in bogus money was involved. It was reported that the Chicago-based counterfeiters had burned another $1,000,000 worth.

Paterni said agents had to pay out more real money for counterfeit than ever before in Secret Service history in order to break the gang.

The investigation began last November in Calumet City, a Chicago suburb notorious for its strip tease and gambling dens. Two Calumet City "models" were among the first alleged ring members arrested. Later, the investigation covered 22 states and a Canadian province.

The Chicago and New York police forces, together with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, helped break the ring.

Three Boys Suspended For Hip-Flask at School

REGINA (CP) — Three boys from Sheldon-Williams Collegiate in Regina have been suspended for carrying liquor on school premises. Deputy Police Chief James Lyttle said a bottle fell from one boy's pocket on the school grounds.

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Fine of $250 and a one-year suspension was handed down in city police court yesterday to a Victoria woman who admitted driving while impaired.

Jeannie Canfield, 2614 Rose, was charged after the car she was driving struck a parked vehicle Wednesday on Gorge near Rock Bay.

Leonard N. Charles, 424 Skinner, a passenger in the Canfield car, was taken to Royal Jubilee Hospital and treated for multiple injuries suffered in the collision.

Yesterday he was reported in fairly good condition, with head and face cuts and internal injuries.

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Leslie Wilson, no fixed address, who said he was "pretty drunk" at the time, pleaded guilty in city court to possession of two stolen sweaters valued at $6.

Court was told accused was stopped on Fisgard Street in Chinatown, and the sweaters found under his coat.

Said Magistrate William Ostler:

"You're in pretty bad shape. I'll sentence you to two months, so you can get medical attention and get off that liquor."

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In Sanich police court yesterday Sargit Singh, 910 Market, was fined $25 when he pleaded guilty to delivering fuel without a proper licence.

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In the same court Earl B. Fenwick, 2529 Wark, pleaded guilty to carrying on a television repair service without having a licence. He was also fined $25.

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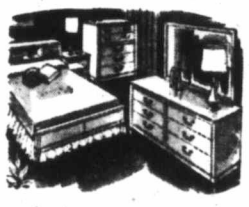

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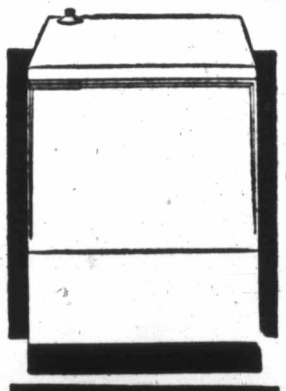

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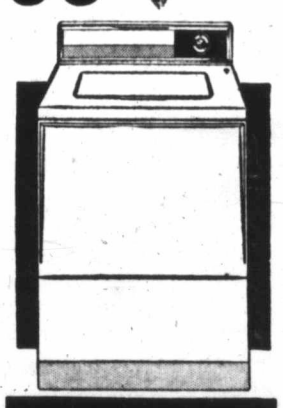

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